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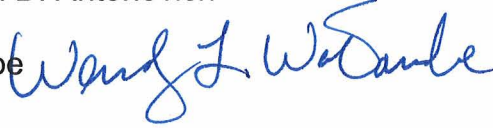
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SUBJECT: **STATUS REPORT – CHILD FATALITY INVESTIGATION  
(Board Agenda Item 4, August 18, 2009)**

At the August 18, 2009 meeting, your Board directed the Auditor-Controller's Office of County Investigations, in coordination with the District Attorney and the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services, to conduct an independent special investigation into the deaths of Dae'von Bailey, Jasmine Granados and Lars Sanchez.

We are in the process of finalizing the investigation and drafting the report. We expect to issue our report to your Board by March 1, 2010.

Please call me if you have any questions, or your staff may contact Judi E. Thomas at (213) 974-0729.

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